

PREVENTION SPECIALIST CERTIFICATION TRAINING CROSSWALK

Obtaining your credential in Illinois as either a Certified Prevention Specialist (CPS) or a Certified Senior Prevention Specialist (CSPS) requires completion of a minimum number of hours for training/education related to the specific competencies needed to effectively practice substance use prevention. These competencies, which fall into 6 prevention performance domains, come from the Job Task Analysis conducted by the International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC).

The tables below identify trainings that may fall within those training/education requirements. The majority of the trainings that have been identified are easily accessible, self-paced online trainings. If the training listed is not an online training, the training format is identified. This is not an exhaustive list. We recommend the following organizations for additional training /educational opportunities:

- **Prevention First:** prevention.org
- **Prevention Technology Transfer Centers (PTTC):** pttcnetwork.org
- **HealthKnowledge:** healthknowledge.org
- **Rocky Mountain Public Health Training Center (RMPHTC):** rmphtc.org
- **CADCA:** cadca.org
- **SAMHSA Practitioner Training:** www.samhsa.gov/practitioner-training
- **Strategic Prevention Technical Assistance Center (SPTAC):** <https://www.samhsa.gov/sptac>

For all Prevention First trainings that are not linked, please visit the [Substance Use Prevention Training](#) page of the Prevention First Website and use the keyword search function to find upcoming dates.

All hours submitted for certification are subject to approval from the Illinois Certification Board. Please make sure to review [The Illinois Model for the Certification of Prevention Specialists](#) on the Illinois Certification Board website, iaodapca.org, to review the full requirements for certification and a comprehensive review of the IC&RC Prevention Performance Domains and their associated job tasks.

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AOD SPECIFIC TRAINING

Illinois Certification Training/Education Requirements: 24 hours (CPS) or 36 hours (CSPS)

TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
AOD Effects and Trends	Prevention First	3
Preventing Prescription and Opioid Drug Misuse	Prevention First	3
Preventing Underage Cannabis Use: Risk/Protective Factors & Effective Communication	HealtheKnowledge	2.5
Substance Use and the Developing Brain	HealtheKnowledge	1
Opioid Overdose Prevention and Infectious Disease Control: Opportunities for Collaboration	HealtheKnowledge	3
Cannabis Pharmacology for Substance Misuse Prevention Practitioners	HealtheKnowledge	4.5
Today's Marijuana: Stronger, More Edibles, Confusing Information about Driving	HealtheKnowledge	1
Basics of Pharmacology and Alcohol	HealtheKnowledge	1.5
Basics of Pharmacology and Opioids	HealtheKnowledge	1.5
Basics of Pharmacology and Psychostimulants (Cocaine & Methamphetamine)	HealtheKnowledge	1.5
Basics of Pharmacology and Cannabis	HealtheKnowledge	1.5
Foundations of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs	Prevention Training Center	1.25
Cannabis Education Prevention Online Training Suite	RMPHTC	Check with organization
Talking to Young People about Vaping Webinar Recording	RMPHTC	.75

PREVENTION SPECIFIC ETHICS

Illinois Certification Training/Education Requirements: 6 hours

TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Foundations of Prevention Ethics (classroom)	Prevention First	6
Advanced Ethics for Prevention Professionals	HealtheKnowledge	2
Ethics in Prevention Foundations: A Guide for Substance Misuse Prevention Practitioners	HealtheKnowledge	3 (can't be used for initial certification, check with board for recertification)
PTTC Prevention Ethics: Online Moderated Ethics	PTTC	6
Prevention Ethics (\$180)	Prevention Training Services	6
Ethics in Prevention Foundations: A Guide for Substance Abuse Prevention Practitioners	RMPHTC	6

DOMAIN #1: PLANNING AND EVALUATION

Illinois Certification Training/Education Requirements: 90 hours (CPS) or 98 hours (CSPS) total across all Performance Domains

TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Analyzing and Sharing the Illinois Youth Survey (IYS) Data (virtual Classroom)	Prevention First	6
IISUP II: SUP System Orientation	Prevention First	3
Illinois Introduction to Substance Use Prevention (IISUP) III: A Framework for Prevention (virtual classroom)	Prevention First	6
Introduction to Illinois Youth Survey	Prevention First	1.5
Introduction to Focus Groups	Prevention First	1.5
Overview of Strategic Planning	Prevention First	3
Preparing for Successful Focus Groups (virtual classroom)	Prevention First	7.5
Promoting the Illinois Youth Survey to Schools	Prevention First	3
SPF Application for Prevention Success Training (SAPST) (virtual classroom)	Prevention First	31
Introduction to Substance Abuse Prevention: Understanding the Basics (Pre-SAPST Course)	HealthKnowledge	5
Everyday Sustainability	HealthKnowledge	2
Is Evaluation the Missing Ingredient in Your Recipe for Success?	HealthKnowledge	1
Grounded in Data: Gathering, Analyzing, and Using Information	HealthKnowledge	1
Prevention Science Foundation: Shared Risk and Protective Factors	HealthKnowledge	7
Selecting Prevention Programming and Interventions	HealthKnowledge	4
Substance Use Prevention for Community Health Workers: Foundations and Practice	HealthKnowledge	4
Best Practices in Online Data Collection	HealthKnowledge	1.5
A Primer on Social Determinants of Health	HealthKnowledge	1
Evidence Based Practices: Implementation with Fidelity and Sustainability	HealthKnowledge	1
The Social Determinants of Health	HealthKnowledge	3
Logic Models: Mapping Your Prevention Efforts	HealthKnowledge	2
Identifying & Selecting Evidence Based Practices for the Local Community: A Closer Look	HealthKnowledge	1
What Does Not Work in Prevention	HealthKnowledge	2

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TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Evidence-Based Programs (EBPs) Overview	HealthKnowledge	1
Using Adolescent Development to Inform Prevention Practice: Brain and Behavior	HealthKnowledge	1
Demystifying Data: Gathering and Using Local Risk and Protective Factor Data for Prevention-Part I	HealthKnowledge	1
Demystifying Data: Gathering and Using Local Risk and Protective Factor Data for Prevention-Part II	HealthKnowledge	1
Early Childhood Development: Toxic Stress and Adverse Childhood Experiences	HealthKnowledge	1
Informing Prevention Series Part 1-6	HealthKnowledge	6
Prevention Specialist Performance Domains	Health eKnowledge	3
Introduction to the Prevention Core Competencies	Health eKnowledge	5.75
Addressing the Social Determinants of Health Online Course (\$175 outside CO, UT, WY, MT, ND, SD)	RMPHTC	31.5
Prevention 101	Prevention Training Center	1.5
Prevention 101	RMPHTC	1.5
Identifying Evidence-Based Practices: A Guide to Searching the Literature	RMPHTC	1
Increasing Impact through Comprehensive Substance Misuse Primary Prevention	RMPHTC	1
Shared Risk & Protective Factors And Substance Misuse 101	RMPHTC	1
Data State of Minde Online	RMPHTC	2.5
Moving from What and Why to How: Lessons on Addressing the Social Determinants of Health	RMPHTC	1
What Are Behavioral Health Disparities?	SPTAC-SAMHSA	1
A Closer Look at SPF Step 1: Assessment	SPTAC-SAMHSA	1.5

DOMAIN #2: PREVENTION EDUCATION AND SERVICE DELIVERY

Illinois Certification Training/Education Requirements: 90 hours (CPS) or 98 hours (CSPS) total across all Performance Domains

TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Authentic Youth Engagement Online Course	Prevention First	1.5
Facilitating Prevention Education Curricula	Prevention First	3
Foundations of Youth Prevention Education (virtual classroom or classroom)	Prevention First	12
Youth Prevention Education Curriculum Training (format varies dependent on developer)	YPE Curriculum Developers	Check with developer
Intro to 508 Compliance of Accessibility in Prevention	HealthKnowledge	1
Working Virtually with Youth Prevention Leaders	HealthKnowledge	1.5
Program Adaption: Culturally Responsive Approaches Webinar Recording	RMPHTC	1.25

DOMAIN #3: COMMUNICATION

Illinois Certification Training/Education Requirements: 90 hours (CPS) or 98 hours (CSPS) total across all Performance Domains

TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Effective Group Facilitation (classroom)	Prevention First	12
Introduction to Communication Campaigns	Prevention First	
Ten Steps for Planning and Implementing Communication Campaigns (virtual classroom)	Prevention First	7.5
Developing Materials for Locally Designed Campaigns (virtual classroom)	Prevention First	4
Planning for National Prevention Week	Prevention First	1.5
Promote your Prevention Efforts and Build Support	Prevention First	1
Minecraft, not Ms. Pac-Man: Transforming Prevention Presentations for Today's Audience	HealthKnowledge	1.5
Communication Planning as a Sustainability Strategy	RMPHTC	1
Telling Your Prevention Story	RMPHTC	1
Communicating and Disseminating Evidence to Decision Makers	RMPHTC	1
Facilitation: From Brainstorming to Decision Making (\$160 for those outside CO, UT, WY, MT, ND, SD)	RMPHTC	6
Trauma Informed Youth Engagement Toolkit	RMPHTC	1-2
Authentic Engagement of Young People	RMPHTC	1

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TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Becoming Better Messengers	RMPHTC	1.25
Fundamentals of Meeting Management	Prevention Training Center	.75

DOMAIN #4: COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

Illinois Certification Training/Education Requirements: 90 hours (CPS) or 98 hours (CSPS) total across all Performance Domains

TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Convening Coalitions and Community Collaborations 1: Collaborative Purpose and Participation (virtual classroom)	Prevention First	3
Convening Coalitions and Community Collaborations 2: Structuring for Success (virtual classroom)	Prevention First	3
Convening Coalitions and Community Collaborations 3: Productive Group Processes and Facilitation (virtual classroom)	Prevention First	3
Collaborating with Key Stakeholders in Substance Use Prevention	Prevention First	3
Introduction to Engagement Youth in Prevention	Prevention First	
Establishing and Leading a Youth Advisory Committee (classroom)	Prevention First	6
Coalition Best Practices	HealthKnowledge	2
Diversity Issues in Public Health: Dr Renee Johnson	RMPHTC	3
Coalition Architecture Webinar Recordings	RMPHTC	1
What is the SPF?	SPTAC-SAMHSA	1
A Closer Look at SPF Step 2: Capacity	SPTAC-SAMHSA	1.5

DOMAIN #5: PUBLIC POLICY AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE

Illinois Certification Training/Education Requirements: 90 hours (CPS) or 98 hours (CSPS) total across all Performance Domains

TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Creating Community Change with Environmental Strategies	Prevention First	3
An Introduction to the Power of Policy Change	HealtheKnowledge	1
10-Steps of Policy Change	HealtheKnowledge	1.5
The Evolution of State Cannabis Policies: Where Prevention Fits In	HealtheKnowledge	1.5
Training the Trainer on Policy and Systems Change at the Local Level	RMPHTC	1
Policy, Systems & Environmental Change	RMPHTC	1
Price & Place Strategies: Approaches to Local Public Health Policy-Access to Substances	RMPHTC	1
Public Health Policy 101: Creating Change at the Local Level Webinar Recording	RMPHTC	1
Promotion & Product Strategies: Approaches to Local Public Health Policy-Access to Substances	RMPHTC	1

DOMAIN #6: PROFESSIONAL GROWTH AND RESPONSIBILITY

Illinois Certification Training/Education Requirements: 90 hours (CPS) or 98 hours (CSPS) total across all Performance Domains

TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Adverse Childhood Experiences and Strategies for Trauma-Informed Care	Prevention First	2
Health Equity in Prevention	Prevention First	3
The Dynamic Adolescent Brain	Prevention First	3
Introduction to Building Culturally Proficient Organizations	HealtheKnowledge	1
Understanding Prevention's Role in Harm Reduction	HealtheKnowledge	2
Why Health Equity Matters in Prevention	HealtheKnowledge	2
Self-Care in a Selfless Field	HealtheKnowledge	1
Advanced Ethics Course (\$180)	Prevention Training Services	6
Supervision of Prevention Professionals Conference (\$270)	Prevention Training Services	12 (10.5 Domain 6, 1.5 Domain 3)
CPS Prep Course (\$125)	Prevention Training Services	4

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TRAINING TITLE/FORMAT	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Prevention Ethics Refresher (\$90)	Prevention Training Services	3
Health Equity: A Guide for Public Health Practice-Online Module	RMPHTC	Please check with the organization
Introduction to CLAS	RMPHTC	1
Health Equity in Schools: Data-Driven Strategies	RMPHTC	1
Equity in the Age of Chaos, Privilege, and Bravery	RMPHTC	1.5
Infusing Equity in Planning	RMPHTC	1

CONFERENCES

CONFERENCE TITLE	ORGANIZATION	TRAINING HOURS*
Connections in Prevention Conference (Cost TBD)	Prevention First	TBD
Prevention Palooza (costs TBD)	Prevention Training Services	18
Spring Prevention Professional Conference (Cost TBD)	Prevention Training Services	TBD
Fall Prevention Professional Conference (Cost TBD)	Prevention Training Services	TBD
National Prevention Network Conference	National Prevention Network	TBD
Illinois Association for Behavioral Health (IABH) Conference (Cost TBD)	Illinois Association of Behavioral Health	TBD
Illinois Certification Board (ICB) Conference (Cost TBD)	Illinois Certification Board	TBD
CADCA National Leadership Form, CADCA Mid-Year Conference	CADCA	TBD

*Please verify all training availability and hours with the identified training organization.